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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 331

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A RESOLUTION To honor and congratulate Eva Bales Allen on
the celebration of her ninetieth birthday.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Eva Bales Allen will celebrate her ninetieth birthday on the 5th of May 2001, an occasion that will be commemorated with great joy in remembering the past, giving thanks for the present, and expressing enthusiasm for the future; and

WHEREAS, The youngest of five children, she is the daughter of the late Albert Britton and Anna Elizabeth Bales; and

WHEREAS, Eva Allen was blessed with the love and companionship of her husband, Hugh M. Allen until his death; highly respected members of their community, Eva and Hugh Allen were prominent farmers in Cedar Hill; and

WHEREAS, Eva Bales Allen is the gracious and loving mother of Barbara Allen Wilder, who is her caretaker; she is a devoted grandmother to her grandson, Mike Wilder and his wife, Kathy, and is a wonderful great-grandmother to their two children, Matthew and Michael Wilder, who are the highlight of her life; and

WHEREAS, A devout member of the Cedar Hill Church of God, Eva Allen faithfully attended services there as long as her health permitted; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Allen is the epitome of the helpful neighbor and kind friend; a remarkable woman, as well as an inspiration, she is loved by all who are privileged to know her; and

WHEREAS, It is the pleasure of this legislative body to join with Mrs. Allen's family and friends in saluting this outstanding Tennessean as she embarks upon the ninth decade of her life; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Eva Bales Allen on the celebration of her ninetieth birthday and extend to her our heartfelt wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.